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Roadmasters Appointed.

The new Board of Road Supervisors of Bristol township, met on Monday and perfected an organization. The following persons were appointed road masters for the district: Henry Baker, Henry O. Brown and Robert Porter.

Falls Supervisors Organized.

The Board of Supervisors of Falls township organized on Monday by electing Robert J. Clark, chairman; C. M. Stokes, secretary; Charles H. Carter, treasurer. Joseph Whelan, O. F. Ridge were appointed road masters, the township being divided into two districts.

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Whereas, Since our last regular meeting it has pleased Almighty God, the great Counsellor of the universe, to send into our midst the dark angel of death, that he might perform the functions of his office upon our brother, John Wafers, thereby releasing the imprisoned spirit, that in might appear in the form of love to his Heavenly home, where the glad shout of redeemed hosts welcomed him to eternal rest; and

Whereas, The circumstances surrounding his death are such a sorrowful character, leaving behind as he does a wife and family to mourn his loss, therefore be it

Resolved, That while we bow our head in humble submission to the inscrutable decree of our Almighty God, at the same time we cannot restrain the expression of our deep sorrow at the death of our late fellow members, who had endeared himself to us by a congenial disposition.

Resolved, That in the death of brother Wafers, we are reminded very forcibly the uncertainty of life, and taking his demise as an example, we urge upon our members the necessity of keeping their souls continually prepared for eternal judgment, for we know not the day nor the hour when the death angel shall come.

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SCHEME FOR WATER WORKS

Prominent Engineers Report to Bristol Borough Council Results of Investigations.

THE REPORT IN FULL

Three Schemes Presented, Each Giving Bristol Pure Filtered Water. Will Cost \$100,000.

Charles A. Allen, of Worcester, Massachusetts, and Jay W. Whitman, of Philadelphia, two noted engineers, have made an exhaustive examination of the water problem in Bristol and have submitted the following report to the Borough Council. Three schemes are presented by the engineers, one entailing the erection of an entirely new system; one involving the purchase of the distribution system of the Bristol Water Company, and the third involving the availing of the entire plant of the present water company. All plans include the establishment of a filtering plant.

The complete report is as follows:

New York City, Feb. 3, 1906.
To the Street Committee of the Borough of Bristol, Pa.

Gentlemen:—At your request, and in accordance with a resolution of the Council of your Borough, dated May 22, 1905, we have examined the water supply of your Borough under what conditions and at what cost a satisfactory water supply could be procured by the Municipality from the Delaware River, and to the problem of the present water company. All plans include the establishment of a filtering plant.

We have examined the water plant of the Bristol Water Co. as to its capacity, capacity, suitability of its supply, the problem of the present water company. All plans include the establishment of a filtering plant.

Second—Examined the territory around Bristol with a view of obtaining suitable water supply and a most effective fire protection, and made estimates of the costs thereof.

PLANT OF THE BRISTOL WATER COMPANY.

Description of Pumping Station. The present water works, as far as we are able to ascertain, and from information kindly given by officers of the Company, was constructed in 1874-5.

The pumping station is situated on the left bank of the Delaware River, near the foot of Walnut St., Bristol, Pa., and consists of:

One brick building with boiler room and engine room, and a small addition of a size suitable for the present installation. Built in 1874.

There is one Worthington compound, condensing pumping engine (about 20 years old) which is driven by a horizontal steam engine before being pushed down to 1 1/2 millions capacity.

Supplemental to this pumping engine are two simple duplex pumps, each 1 1/2 million gallons capacity, which are driven by a horizontal steam engine before being pushed down to 1 1/2 millions capacity.

The main pumping engine is in need of a general overhauling and repairs. The other pumps are in good condition.

There are an 80-horse-power horizontal tubular boiler (installed in 1874) and a 100-horse-power vertical tubular boiler (installed in 1901), each of which is in fair condition and available for use.

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